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BOXING GOSSIP TOLD IN BREEZY MESSAGE

BY W. W. NAUGHTON.—The fact that Snowy Baker and W. F. Howe are in this country in quest of pugilistic talent for the boxing organizations they represent in Australia is the best proof that the sports down yonder are steadfast patrons of the game of the glove. At that it is to wonder how the traveling commissioners named can afford to offer big money to top notches of this country.

Just at present Australia is woefully lacking in suitable talent to send against stars.

Take the lightweight division, for instance. When Baker arrived here intent upon luring Willie Ritchie to the land of the Golden Fleece, he believed he had several fairly suitable matches in sight for the lightweight champion.

"To begin with," said Snowy, "I'll pit him against Hughie Mehegan, the recognized champion of Australia." The words were hardly out of Baker's mouth when the cable brought news that Mehegan had been knocked out

in eleven rounds by Young Saylor, of Indianapolis, who went to Australia in company with Eddie McGoorty and Ray Bronson.

"Well, I still have Herb McCoy left," said Snowy with a brave show of philosophical spirit. "He is a rising young lightweight and is Mehegan's most formidable rival. Many, in fact, believe him a better boy than Mehegan. I can also promise Ritchie a bout with Young Saylor, who defeated Mehegan."

A day or two later news trickled across the bed of the ocean that Nat Williams, a comparative unknown from England, had defeated Herb McCoy, and that Young Saylor had lost on a foul in the sixth round of a match with Ed Neuhaus, a pupil of Mehegan.

After this wholesale bowling over of the best of the Antipodean lightweights by youngsters in the novice division, it is not easy to imagine where to find a fit opponent for Ritchie among the pugilists at present in Australia. There is this to it, however; one defeat does not set a ringman aside in that country the way it does

here. A man of known ability does not lose caste on account of a single reverse—or a couple for that matter—and the promoters being acquainted with Australian sporting spirit in the direction named do not hesitate about signing a defeated star again without delay.

As a matter of fact, return matches are quite a feature of Antipodean pugilism. Mehegan, who was defeated by Pat Brown, of Philadelphia, at Sydney, had to wait no time for his revenge. He turned the tables on Brown at the second meeting. It can, therefore, be seen that if Ritchie goes across there toward the end of the year it will be quite the thing, according to the Australian viewpoint, to parade both Mehegan and McCoy as worthy opponents for him. This, of course, if in the meantime Kerb and Hughie manage to maintain the average of excellence they have displayed during the past couple of years.

Reading between the lines, it is not hard to explain how Young Saylor came to lose his bout with Neuhaus on a foul. Saylor is one of your up-to-date American fighters, while in Australia they are sticklers for "clean breaks."

"Mother" Howe, who is here representing the Olympia Stadium of New York, Sydney, was quick to note the way our local boys are allowed to tear away at each other in clinches. "The crowd seems to like that kind of thing here," said Howe. "Out wonder the moment a couple of fighters bump into a clinch the crowd begins shouting to the referee to 'break them.'"

Saylor, beyond doubt, whaled away in the style he was accustomed to here, and was probably penalized for not stepping clear when ordered to by the referee.

However, it's safe to say that Saylor will make his mark before he leaves Australia. A lad who can knock out Mehegan—the first time Hughie was knocked out, by the way—needs only to give a little study to the rules which prevail in Australia to do himself proud.

The bigger classes in Australia are in more of a muddle than the lightweights even. Dave Smith went right down the line from white hopes and light heavies to middleweights and heavyweights for them all. Among his victims was Bill Lang, a 200-pounder, who up to that time was called heavyweight champion of Australia.

Then Eddie McGoorty came along and did for Smith in less than two minutes of boxing. Accordingly, McGoorty is champion of Australia in several classes at present.

Since ousting Dave Smith the Oshkosh fighter has had a brush with Pat Bradley, a young Irishman, who went to Australia from San Francisco. When Dave Smith boxed this same Bradley

the referee stopped the match in the twelfth round to save Bradley from unnecessary punishment. Yet Bradley went the full distance with McGoorty and merely lost no points, whereas McGoorty practically licked Smith with the punch that he landed.

It's a bit of a tangle and I have no doubt it will be straightened out by sending Smith and Bradley together again and then matching the winner with McGoorty.

Races

Juarez Results.
First race—four furlongs—Climber, 115 (Kedder), 1 to 4, out and out, first; Miss Fielder, 105 (McCabe), 15 to 1, 2 to 1 and out, second; B. A. Jones, 105 (Tappin), 4 to 1, 1 to 1 and out, third. Time, 1:47.5. Ben's Brother also ran.
Second race—one mile—No Quarter, 105 (Hooker), 15 to 1, 10 to 1 and 5 to 1, first; Vireo, 95 (Collins), 15 to 1, 5 to 1 and 5 to 1, second; Jack Lawson, 105 (Groth), 10 to 1, 1 to 1 and 1 to 1, third. Time, 1:52.5. Nolan, Marie Coghill, Frieze, Ethel Wickes, Rake, Patrick F., Arhuston, Lady Young, General Lord Elam and Compton also ran.
Third race—six furlongs—Angelus, 104 (McIntire), 15 to 1, 4 to 1 and 2 to 1, first; Calcium, 108 (Van Dusen), 10 to 1, 4 to 1 and 2 to 1, second; Lamb's Tail, 96 (Taylor), 6 to 1, 3 to 1 and even, third. Time, 1:14. Daylight, Song of Rocks, Nita, Marsand, Stone Cutter, Charley Brown, Lee Harrison, H. Huberg and Sture also ran.
Fourth race—one mile—Little Marchmont, 104 (Metcal), 15 to 1, 4 to 1 and 2 to 1, first; High Street, 105 (Tappin), 5 to 1, 3 to 1 and 2 to 1, second; Sen Cliffe, 104 (Haynes), 4 to 1, 1 to 1 and 1 to 1, third. Time, 1:58.5. Nita, McDee, Sir Fretful and Key also ran.
Fifth race—five and a half furlongs—Hilina, 85 (Taylor), 6 to 1, 3 to 1 and 2 to 1, first; Orimar Lad, 115 (Feeny), 5 to 2, even and 2 to 1, second; Sam Gribby, 104 (Van Dusen), 15 to 1, 4 to 1 and 2 to 1, third. Time, 1:05.5. Aunt Mamie, Amohakio, Rose Mary and Orba Smile also ran.
Sixth race—six furlongs—Princess Industry, 105 (Gentry), 12 to 1, 3 to 1 and 5 to 1, first; Fort Johnson, 115 (Moleworth), 5 to 1, 2 to 1 and even, second; Don Caster, 111 (Taylor), 1 to 2, even and 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:13. Lemon Joe, Clinton, Salsala, Ramsey, Prince Winter, Sharper Knight, Napa Nick and Rubicon also ran.

APPALACHIAN IS APPARENTLY GONE

Little Interest Shown by Cities in Baseball—Bristol Seems Inactive.

Bristol, Tenn., February 21.—The situation looks critical for the 1914 baseball season in the Appalachian league. It is apparently very doubtful whether there will be any games during the coming season. Nothing has been done by either the Bristol or the Johnson City officials, and it is learned that both President Miller, of the Johnson City club, and President Ashworth, of the Bristol club, have little notion of doing anything to save the situation. It is intimated that the Johnson City people are displeased with the treatment they received at the hands of the Knoxville team in the final games last season. After three of the last series of games had been played in Knoxville, allowing Moffett's men to profit by the receipts,

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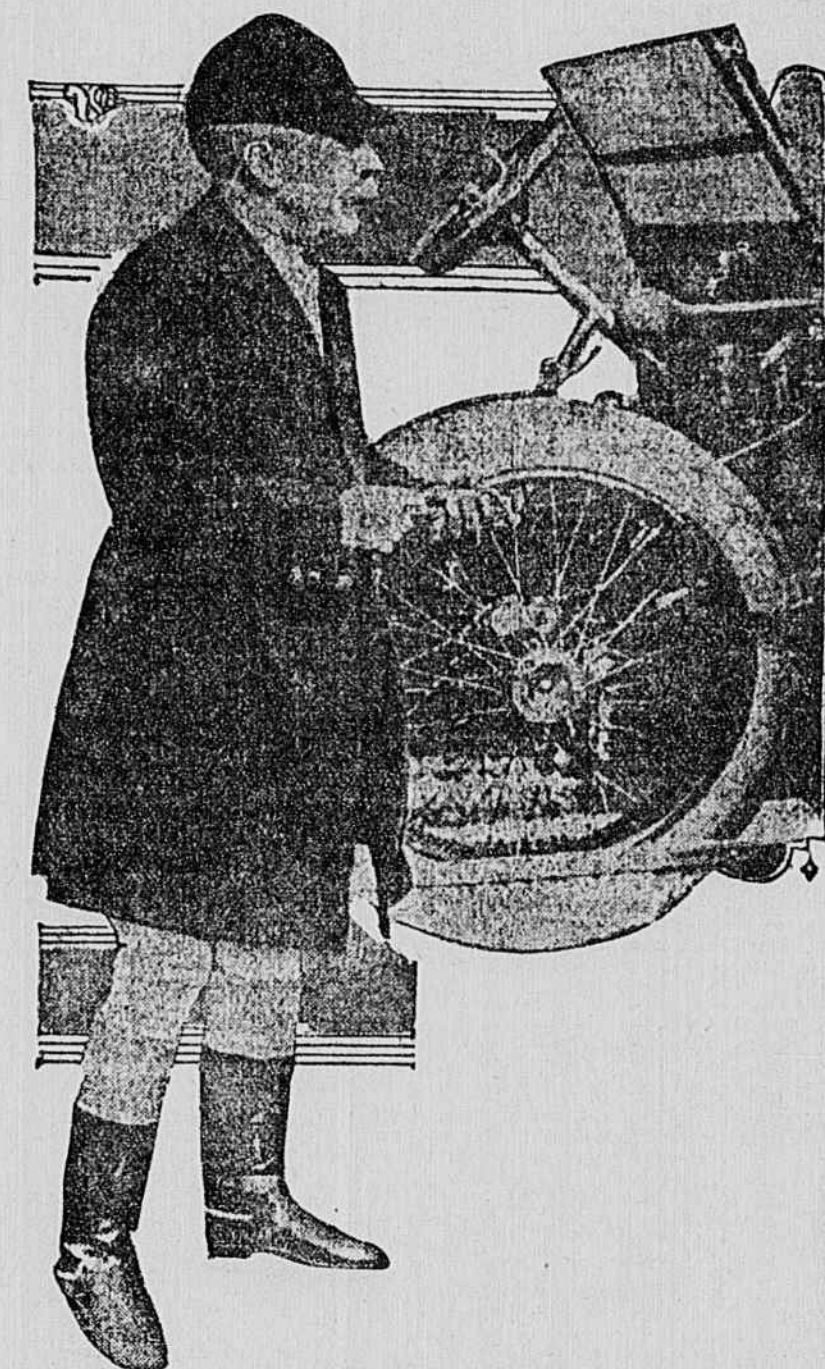
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Canadian Helmsman to Sail Shamrock IV.



W. P. BURTON, amateur steersman of the Corinthian Club of Canada, is said to have been selected to pilot the Shamrock IV. In the coming race for the International yachting trophy, Burton is one of the best known yachtsmen in Canada, and has frequently sailed in English waters. He captured the King's Cup at the Royal Western Yacht Club regatta in England in 1909, and also gained the cup at the Royal Irish regatta three years ago.

ALBRIGHT PUTS IT UP TO JOE TURNER

Sporting Editor, The Times-Dispatch: Sir,—In regards to match with Joe Turner, I am just as far from a match with him as when I was in Richmond. Turner accepted my challenge alright enough, but that isn't making the match. I stayed in Richmond two days after my bout trying to get Turner to sign up the articles for the match, but I failed. I couldn't get within gunshot of the champion. I will admit that the champion can get on the stage and make a good impression on the audience with his clever little speech that he makes. That sounds very good to the public, but that isn't making a match with me. If he meant business with me, why didn't he do as I asked him to do, draw up the articles, so that I would know where I was at. I can very plainly see what Turner wants. He wants me to put up my forfeit, then I can wait and he can keep me waiting. Turner can't pull off anything like that on me. I know the game as well as he does when it comes to making a match. If Turner really meant to give me a match he could have drawn up the articles for the match, and could have set the date to suit himself. He stated that he had several other matches booked that might be so, but it wouldn't have interfered with his other matches, as he could have set his date any time after the other bouts he has on. I am ready to post my forfeit just as soon as Turner will come to an agreement and sign up and not before. I had this same thing happen to me in Portland, Ore. My manager had \$500 forfeit up for a bout. It was covered, but then no articles were drawn up as to the date of match, so they just kept us waiting and stalling us for nearly three months, until we got so sick of waiting that we were only too glad to get them to agree to

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